

# A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR NAVIGATING A DISPLAY SCREEN FOR LOCATING A DESIRED ITEM OF INFORMATION

## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A method and a system for navigating a display screen to search for a  
5 desired item of information stored in an electronic device. The electronic device  
includes a novel fly over user interface (FOUI) capable of receiving commands  
from a user to provide a zoom out view of the display screen. A user may  
commence a navigation session by touching the display screen in a non active  
area or by clicking on a specifically designated icon to activate the user interface.  
10 During the navigation session, the display screen is zoomed-out and a  
magnifying area may appear on the display screen. The user interface enables  
the user to scroll the zoomed-out display screen by dragging the magnifying area  
towards an edge of the display screen to find a desired item of information. The  
display screen may be a display screen of a digital device (e.g., portable  
15 computer, personal computer, a cellular telephone, a digital watch, etc). The user  
may terminate a navigation session by removing the pointer from the display  
screen.